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OF THE

LANDS AND PAST DESCENDANTS OF

HENRY AND ANNE CLARK

WHO SETTLED ON THE HEADBRANCHES OF
WHIPPANY RIVER, ROXITICUS,
OLD HUNTERDON COUNTY, NEW JERSEY,
IN THE YEAR 1728.

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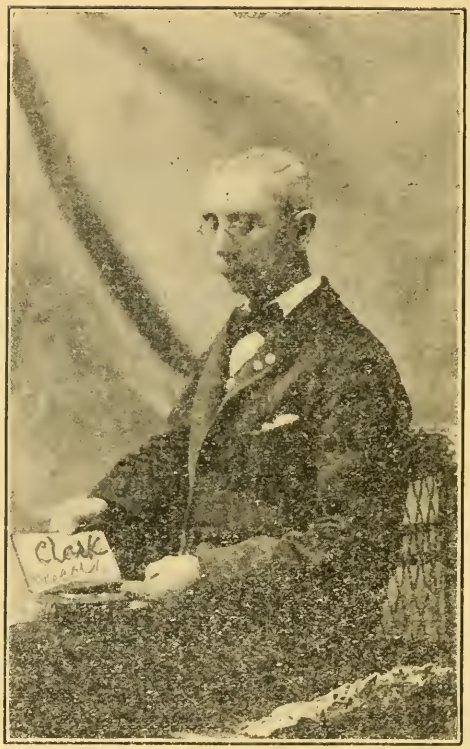

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NW cor tree
277 tract
563 tract 172 A
House 1734
NE corner tree
506 tract in 2 lots

In the Year 1716

Three adjoining surveys made to Col John Evans, Charles Brockden and William Penn, of Philadelphia, Pa., recorded in Surveyor General's office, Burlington, N. J. To Evans 1666 acres from which (1728) a tract of 563 acres was taken from northwest corner. Brockden's 1114 acres on south had a tract taken (1754) of 506 acres in two lots along north, bounded on south by Morristown road and on east and west by three roads leading from said road north to Brookside. A tract of 277 acres (1757) from southwest corner of Penn's 3750 acres joined 563 acre tract along on north. Western boundaries of these surveys and tracts form base line beginning at first cross roads east of Mendham, runs due north through Grey's Hollow, 160 chains to old tree corner.

Whippany River has its source in two main branches—east branch two miles long, rises at east Mt. Freedom, runs southwest, crossing southeast corner 277 acre tract, enters northeast corner 563 acre tract, bends due south at head of Dismal Glen through

which it flows one mile to junction with west branch, which, rising at West Mt. Freedom, runs southwest, bends south and at crossroads unites with branch from west through Grey's Hollow and small branch from north. Another small branch from south side of Cold Hill empties in at Brookside and soon after joins east branch, now forming theWhippany, crosses northeast corner 506 acre tract east five miles from junction to Morristown. The road from Mendham to Mt. Freedom northeast across 563 acre tract crossing a road from Brookside northwest forms only cross roads on the three tracts and half mile northeast of cross-roads forks to east and west Mt. Freedom. An old road from Grey's Hollow through woods, bends east around a cleared field. Southwest from west line of this field an old chestnut tree yet marks the corner of 563 acre tract (in deed of 1755 called "sapling"). Two old roads each side of glen "Tingley" on east, "Shores" on west.

Henry Clark (a Scotchman) came to Suffold County, L. I., Ronkonkoma, where, leaving wife and child with relatives who preceded them and settled, he went in search of land on which to settle. Went west via Elizabeth to Morristown, then containing three families, and Mendham, one followed up river, then

east branch to head of glen and bend in branch where a few chains west from eastern edge of plateau a spring emptied into branch. At this spring, on plateau, found it would make a good farm with water power near by, made a clearing, built log house, then returned to move out his family. Their nearest neighbors were two families who soon after settled at head of branch—one named Cooper. For some years after they settled only a footpath to Mendham and Morristown.

No record of this first purchase of land is known, but the date is fixed by other facts. In 1734 built frame house by side of log house and put an iron knocker on door bearing date. About 1750 assisted by son and sons-in-law, built dam and saw mill at head of glen. This dam yet standing firm as at first. Sept. 15 1754, bought the 506 acre tract of Charles Brockden (deed on small parchment). March 25, 1755, deeded to his son the 563 acre tract (deed on paper, witnessed by Andrew Patterson, William Boyd, Benjamin Pitney). Dec. 1st, 1756, bought the 277 acre tract (deed on large parchment). In 1767 mortgaged saw mill with 62 acres to Robert Adams of Mendham (storekeeper) for £250. May, 1768, deeded to grandson, Samuel Cozad, Jr., 40 acres of southeast corner 277 acre tract

(deed on paper). The 506 acre tract probably sold soon after purchase as none of his descendants are known to have owned any of it.

Henry Clark, Sr., known as "the Long Island Yankee," was born about 1690, died about 1770. Anne, his wife, born 1693, died 15th Nov., 1756, and are buried in Hill Top Cemetery, Mendham, with many others of their descendants. They had three children, Abigail. Anne. Henry, Jr.

Abigail born 1726-7, died 15th April, 1792, married 1753 Nathaniel Doty, born about 1725, died 1810. Settled on 100 acres north and east of crossroads where he built a sawmill. Deeded farm to son 1796, and married, second, Elizabeth Lewis, nee Winans. She died in 1811 leaving a will, recorded in Liber A, page 337. Nathaniel Doty and his first wife had one child, Henry C. Doty, born 1754, died of dysentary about 1797. He married, in 1774, Mary Loree, born 1757, died prior to 1820. They had Abigail. Sibillia. The first was born 14th May, 1775, died of cancer 9th Dec., 1837; married, about 1796, Col. Wm. Pool, born 22d May, 1771, died 1st April, 1836, and had Abigail. Nathaniel Doty married Alfa Meeker. Anna married Nathaniel Dickerson. John L. Phebe married Peter Dickerson. Henry

married Charity Clark. Mary married Samuel Nickson. William, Jr., married Phebe Pool. Col. Pool lived on the homestead of Nathaniel Doty. Sibillia, born 15th April, 1779, died 20th July, 1845, married 7th Jan., 1796, Daniel Lawrence, born 18th May, 1773, died 26th June, 1837. They had Henry. Eliza married Daniel Dalrymple. George. Mary married Elias Thompson. Philemon married Hannah Mooney. Julia married William Trimmer. Jemima. Samuel Tyler married Margaret Trimmer. Daniel married Mary Mooney. William. Daniel Lawrence lived on northeast corner 277 acre tract.

Anne, born 1729, died about 1775, married 1753 Samuel Cozad, Sr., born 1723, died 1811. They settled in forks of west branch on 100 acre strip along west of 563 acre tract and bounded east by north fork west branch. He bought this of Henry Clark, Jr., May, 1755. Deed on paper, witnessed by Paterson, Boyd and Pitney. About 1800 moved upon north side Cold Hill and built cider works. He became wealthy and was for many years an elder in Hill Top church, Mendham. His will was made 15th Feb., 1806, recorded in Liber A, page 301. He married, about 1785, second, widow of Ezra Fairchild, nee Percilla Burt, born 1739, died 1825. Samuel Cozad, Sr.,

and first wife had Anne. Samuel, Jr. Henry C. Abigail. Elizabeth. Mary. Phebe. Anne born 1754, died about 1825, married 1774, Nathaniel Bonnel, Sr., died about 1820. They settled near the bend in north fork, and in 1804 sold the 52 acre tract to N. Clark and moved up to head of fork, where they died. They had ~~Elizabeth~~ Obadiah, born 1776, died 1850, married about 1795, Reuben Hulbert, and had Louis married Hester Bell. Phebe married a Clary. 2d Louis, LaForge. Elizabeth married John Clark. Jane married Henry Stage. Berthania married William Howell. Henry, born 1777. Nathaniel, Jr., born 1779, died 1st April, 1866, married 1800 Mary Sturges and had Carman S. Mary. Abigail. Barnabas. Nathaniel, Jr. Emaline. Robert G. Martha A. Thompson, born 1782, died 182 -, married 1802 Massa Clark and had Charles married Jane Garbrant. John married Sarah Wycoff. Aaron H., married Elizabeth Waller. Henry married Mary Doland. Miranda married Daniel Millen. Lawrence and three others died young. Aaron, born 1784. Anne, born 24th March, 1786, died 3d Nov., 1865, married 4th Nov., 1804, Jacob Drake, born 11th April, 1787, died 31st March, 1866, and had Rhoda married Peter Coe. Eliphalet married Caroline Stewart. Margaret

married John Burnett. Catharine married Jacob Stewart. William born 3d Aug., 1778, died 1844, married 20th April, 1811, Elizabeth Conger, born 1st May, 1794, died 5th June, 1882, and had Jacob D. Aaron. Elizabeth. Jane. Phebe. William. Squire L. Charles F. Samuel Cozad, Jr,, born 12th June, 1756, died 3d March, 1822, married 28th March, 1785, Jane, daughter of Elder McIlrath, born 4th Oct., 1765, died 6th Oct., 1824. They, with many others, went, in 1796, to Redstone, Washington Co., Pa., and ten years after to Euclid, near Cleveland, Ohio, where they are buried. They had Jacob born 1786. Elias, born 1790, married Hannah Palmer. Anne born 1792, died 1813, married John Carlton. Samuel, born 1794, died 1870, married Mary Condid. Henry, born 1796, died 1813. Sarah, born 1799, died 1855, married William Mather, second Jonathan Hale. Andrew, born 1801, died 1873, married 1825, Salley Simmons and had eight children, third one, Justus L., contributed his branch to this record. Nathaniel Clark, born 1803, died 1828, married 1824, Ann Collier. Henry C., born 1758, died 1812, married 1792 Catharine Drake, nee Lozier, born 176-, died 1832 (one son Jacob Drake). by second marriage had four children, Eliphalet, born 16th

April, 1794, died 10th Nov., 1863, married 11th M'ch, 1818, Polly A. Montgomery. Anne, died young. Catharine, born 22d March, 1801, died 28th Nov., 1831, married 17th Sep., 1817, William Hougland and had eight children. Oliver, born 11th Jan., 1808, died 6th Sept. 1888. married 19th Jan., 1832, Jane Van Kirk, born 12th Nov., 1817, died 16th March, 1884. They had Henry. Caroline. Mary Ellen. Ruth. Cassius C. Samuel W. (Oliver L., son of Henry, collected the Henry C. branch for this record). Said "Henry C.," about 1807, went to Washington Co., Pa., where his descendants are yet living. Abigail, married Andrew and Elizabeth married Thomas McIlrath, (sons of Elder McIlrath of Mendham.) Mary. Phebe married Ziba Casterline. Henry Clark, Jr., (called Stuttering Henry,) born 3d June, 1731, died of paralysis, 10th Jan., 1797, married 25th Jan., 1759, Mary Faugerson, born 10th May, 1728, died 17th March, 1762, and had Rev. Henry. John. Mortgaged 62 acres in 1767 to Increse Mather of Morristown, (Cordwainer,) and married second 23rd Aug., 1763, the widow of Samuel Loree, Sr., nee Sibillia Newton, born 1736, died 29th Aug., 1822, her will made 1820 Rec. in Liber C. by this second marriage had Nathaniel. Isaac. Anne.

Rev. Henry, born 26th Jan., 1760, died 5th Feb., 1849, married 25th Feb., 1781, Mary, (daughter Jesse Smith,) born 6th May, 1761, died 5th April, 1815. They settled on 100 A., near forks of road on small branch. The house he built 1785 burned 6th April, 1838. He was nine years member 1st Church, Morristown, becoming converted to Methodism by Rev. Aaron Hutchinson of Flander's circuit. He travelled and preached nearly fifty years, served in Revolutionary War, and had rare taste for reading and reminiscenses. John, born 26th Dec., 1781, died May, 1836, married 29th March, 1802, Phene Roberts, born 31st March, 1782, died 12th June, 1853, they had Sally. Joanne. Albert. Horace Nelson. Joseph. Aaron H. Mahlon. Sylvester. Elizabeth. Maryette. Charles Henry. Massa, born 26th Oct., 1783, died 185-, married 1802, Thompson Bonnell, and had nine children. Jane, born 12th Jan., 1786, died 12th Feb., 1849. Aaron H., born 3rd Sept., 1791, died 27th Sep., 1794. Anne, born 11th Jan., 1784, died 10th Oct., 1864, married 1822, James McLaughlin, born 1st Nov., 1793, died 19th July, 1845, and had James, Jr. Jesse C. Susan, Anne. Jesse S., born 5th Feb. 1798, died 20th May, 1873, married 1820, Sarah V. Millon, born

31st Dec., 1794, died 10th Nov. 1862, married second Susan Van Lieu. Henry, born 7th Feb., 1801, died 13th Dec., 1873, married 27th May, 1830, Margaret Smith born 20th Dec. 1804, died 29th Oct. 1863, they had Henry Spencer, (member Co. E., 27th Reg. N. J. V., and maker of this record,) Richard H., Margaret Caroline. Mary Naomi. Nathaniel, (member Co. H., 11th Reg. N. J. V.). Jesse S. John, born 1761-2, died of small pox at close of war, in which he served six years. The French musket he carried now an heir-loom in family. Nathaniel, born 22nd March, 1767, died 29th Aug. 1836, married 1786, Joanne Newton, born 1762, died 18th July, 1830, they had Ebenezer, settled on west fork of road and was a prosperous farmer, 1826 released farm to son, and married, second, widow of Col. Silias Axtell 1831. Ebenezer, born 17th March, 1787, died of Apolexy 4th Oct., 1843, married 1810, Phebe Blackford, born 22nd July, 1792, died 27th Sept. 1850. They had Nathaniel, died 1818, aged 7 years. Joanne married Mahlon Pruden. Mary married Elias Millen. Charity married Henry Pool. Sibillia married John Osborn. E Newton married Mary Hughson. Margaret married Charles Hudson. Isaac, born 1769, died 20th

Jan., 1841, married 6th June, 1793, Phebe Axtell, born 23d June, 1771, died 31st Oct., 1832, they lived on old homestead, and the house of 1734 he rebuilt with an addition, also stone milk house and bark house and tannery, and cider works on spring run, married, second, Mary Pierson, by first marriage had Abigail. Silas C. Stephen. Anne. the first born 25th May, 1794, died 2d Feb., 1878, married 26th June, 1814, Henry Axtell, born 18th Aug., 1793, died 26th July, 1863. Henry Axtell and wife, had five children. Silas C., born 20th April, 1798, died 28th Febr., 1871, married 28th June, 1821, Nancy Jansen, born 21 Sept., 1801, died 5th Sept., 1866, they had Many Ann. Phebe K. Abigail M. Sarah E. Anne J. Silas H. H., (1st Vice-Pres. and Gen. Manager Mo Pac R. R. Co.) Isaac, (member Co. B., 27th Reg. N. J. V.) Nancy A. Stephen, born 1800, died 1st April, 1879, married 1820, Phebe Meeker, and had Susan. Electra A. Catherine. Caleb M., Abigail A., Henry A. Isaac N. Martha B. Mary B. Sarah. Stephen D. Anne, born 2d June, 1805, died —— married 28 Oct., 1835, John Crammer, and had Phebe A. Anne, (only daughter,) born 7th April, 1777, died 13th Aug., 1822, married 7th

Coon, and had nine children. Of the old landmarks on the 563 A. Tract, only 4 remain, viz. Pond and dam at head of glen. old chestnut tree at north end base line. hedge fence in woods half mile southeast of cross-roads, marking offset in south line. chestnut tree in northeast corner 563 A tract. Of mills, etc., later and prior to 1800, there were cider mill of Philip Till, at head of east branch. saw mill of Pools & McCord, above bend. on west branch nail factory of Oliver Lozier. cooper shop of Carman Bonnel. cider works of Stephen Loree and M. S. Hulbert.

The parchment and paper deeds named in this record now owned by the writer of this sketch, who could have added to it much more if others of the descendants had taken equal interest. All the main facts and dates here given are correct, and have been collected with much difficulty, though a period of twenty years.

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